

UTILITY PATENT
APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No.

031053

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APPLICATION ELEMENTS FOR:
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1. [XX] Fee Transmittal Form (Incorporated within this form)
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2. [XX] Specification Total Pages [35]

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a. [XX] Newly executed (original)

b. [] Copy from prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))
(for continuation/divisional with Box 17 completed).

i. [] Deletion of Inventor(s)

Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in prior application,
see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).

5. [] Incorporation by reference (useable if box 4b is checked)

The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 4b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

6. [] Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)

7. [] Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)

a. [] Computer Readable Copy

b. [] Paper Copy (identical to computer copy)

c. [] Statement Verifying identity of above copies

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

8. [XX] Assignment Papers (cover sheet and documents) to: MATSUSHITA ELECTRIC INDUSTRIAL CO., LTD.,
Kodama-shi, Japan

Please publish the assignee data with the application.

9. [] 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee) [XX] Power of Attorney

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10. ☐ English translation Document (if applicable)
11. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
12. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
13. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)
14. ☐ Small Entity Status is claimed.
15. ☒ Claim for Convention Priority ☒ [1] Certified copy of Priority Document is enclosed.
- a. Priority of Japanese application No. 2002-303982 filed on October 18, 2002 is claimed under 35 USC 119.
16. ☐ Other _____
17. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information:
- ☐ Continuation ☐ Division ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application no. ____/____

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The filing fee is calculated below				\$750.00
Total Claims	9 - 20		x \$18.00	
Independent Claims	4 - 3	1	x \$84.00	84.00
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☒ [XX] A check in the amount of \$1,154.00 is enclosed to cover the filing fee. (\$750.00 for basic filing fee; \$84.00 for 1 additional independent claim; \$280.00 for multiple dependent claims and \$40.00 for the assignment recordation fee).

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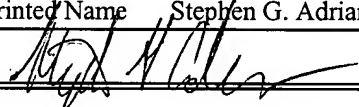
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